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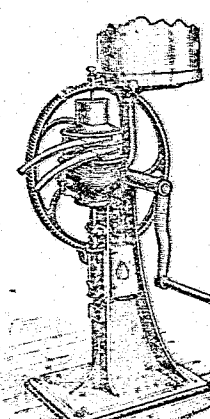
In Bethel, a pair of gold bowled spectacles which the finder is kindly requested to forward the subscriber who will give a suitable reward. 51

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Wanted

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BACCALAUREATE SERMON

Preached Last Sunday by Rev. Israel Jordan Before the Graduating Class of Gould's Academy.

They shall be as the stones of a crown. Zach. 9: 16.

In the days of southern slavery, the value which the negro mother placed upon her sons and daughters was infinitely removed from the sordid money value of the auction-block. Her higher estimate was an exhibition of the wisdom of love. Mothers, whether white or black, whether north or south, esteem their children highly in love, to borrow a scriptural expression. For this reason their estimate of their children's worth is always more just than the world's estimate. They are the first and most influential teachers. The same tender solicitude which they show toward their children, the same high estimate of their worth, the same eagerness to impart to them the treasures of knowledge, is seen in the *Alma Mater*, the cherishing mother as we call her, who takes them into her family circle and learns to look upon them as being in a very vital sense her own. To-day we will not stop to consider at length what the fond *Alma Mater*, may think of her own. At the appropriate time and in the appropriate place she will tell us that. Robert Burns, as you will remember, expressed the wish in one of his poems that we might see ourselves as others see us. I am not sure that this would be a good thing for any of us students in Dame Nature's school. Whether it would be a benefit or an injury might depend largely on whom we mean by *others*. If we mean all people in distinction from ourselves some of our faults. To see ourselves through their eyes would surely not be good for us, and (still more gloomy supposition) some of them might be blind to our virtues and to see ourselves in this way would be equally bad for us. Perhaps it might be a good thing for each and all of us to see our individual selves as our *Alma Mater* sees us, for no one of us is so bereft of educative experience as to declare himself or herself without an *Alma Mater*. I say perhaps it might be a good thing for us. I am by no means assured that it would; but when we look at ourselves from the standpoint not of *Alma Mater* but of *Pater Nostrum*, all uncertainty vanishes. There is no perhaps about it. If Scotland's gifted singer had prayed that we might see ourselves as our Heavenly Father sees us, that in his light we might see light, then we indeed might respond to it with a chorus of hearty amen. Our Heavenly Father's appreciation of us is a perfect appreciation. He sees us as we actually are with all our limitations, all our shortcomings. Such a vision of ourselves as this, could do none of us harm, and might do us all good; for the pride of the human heart leads us naturally to think of ourselves, our actual present selves, more highly than we ought to think.

Best of all our Heavenly Father sees what we are capable of becoming. He sees the end from the beginning, graduation from the learning of the alphabet, the ideal to be realized even from Commencement week. It is a grand thing for us that this is so, and that in his light he permits us to see light. He teaches us what to expect from our mysterious selves. He teaches us what to hope for and consequently what to live for. To see ourselves as He sees us, we have only to read our Bibles in the truth-seeking spirit. His Holy Book holds the mirror up to human nature as nothing else has ever done, and the marvelous thing about it is, that it not only shows human nature, weak, sinful, erring human nature, struggling on its way to perfection, but also human nature in its perfection and triumphing over the world in that perfection.

It is this fact that makes the Bible the most blessed, hopeful, sunny book in all the world; a book not only able to make a sunshine in sorrow's darkest night, but also able to bring to view a light above the brightness of the noon-day sun, a diviner joy within the joy which this world affords. By means of its prophetic light, God permits us to see our future selves. He declares what his obedient children shall be when the years have rolled away. "They shall be as the stones of a crown." In these significant words he declares the inestimable value of the human soul. He hints at the hidden worth and

beauty which lie waiting to be revealed in even the most unpromising personalities. In his clear words of testimony, He confirms the loving mother's estimate of her child's worth.

In his sight the soul possesses a priceless intrinsic worth. Surely this fact should teach each of us the great lesson of self-reverence, and help us to see the significance of the scriptural injunction to honor all men, —yes, honor all men, for they have, as a lapidary would say, gem-stuff within them. Peter, you remember, did not believe this. He was helped out of the narrowness of his unbelief by a vision from Heaven; he believed that Jews were precious stones and that Gentiles were only common stones, the offscouring and worthless dust of the earth, but God showed him that no child of his was to be considered common and worthless. Not until Peter had this vision of the worth of man and put faith in it, was he fitted to do his great work in advancing the Kingdom of righteousness and good will. What was true of Peter is true of every one of us; we can not do our part of the world's work and do it worthily until we have accepted the high estimate which God, who is no respecter of persons, puts upon each and every one of his children. Yet when we say that God is no respecter of persons, we do not mean that He is lacking in discriminative power; He sees the common stones, the bits of carbon so to speak, that must be born again before they can take their places as flawless diamonds in his diadem of beauty; and he also sees the precious stones, the real diamonds to-day, that if put in the fires of evil tomorrow, will become worthless bits of charred and blackened dust. Some times a common stone may pass itself off before mankind for a precious one but it can never deceive God; and a fact that is sadder far—sometimes one of the precious stones, a veritable crown jewel, may mistake itself for only a common pebble. One of God's children who is of priceless value in heaven's sight, may set a cheap estimate upon himself. He may say, "I am only a creature of clay formed from the dust of the ground, and in a few years, at most, I shall crumble into dust again." Whoever allows himself to think and speak in this faithless fashion loses courage and inspiration for self-betterment.

I once saw some diamonds in the rough just as they were taken from the mine in Africa. I should not have suspected their quality and value had I not been told. So it is with our own souls; we do not at first prize them; when we do learn to value them rightly it is always because we have taken the word of one who is wiser than we. When we do this, we live by faith, and we experience the rewards of faith. To-day, in speaking to you who are just graduating from our Academy, and also to you who are looking forward to graduation, I wish to consider with you this comparison which God has made between our own souls and the stones of a crown, and by the consideration to see wherein the fitness of the comparison lies. One point in it we have already touched upon. It is the great value represented. While it is true that some individuals over-estimate their own worth, it is beyond question that the great majority of men and women under-estimate their capacity. What is it that gives great value to the stone and makes it worthy of a place among crown-jewels? What is it that causes God to put such a high estimate upon our souls that he likens them to matchless gems? These are the questions suggested by the text. The lapidary, in answering the first for us, will help us to understand God's answer to the second. If we go to some man whose study and experience have made him an authority upon the subject of precious stones, and ask him what constitutes a perfect gem, such as a monarch might deem worthy of a place among his crown jewels, what answer will he give us? He will tell us that the first characteristic of the perfect gem is purity of substance. Let a jewel lack this purity of substance and it ceases to be a stone of the first water. It is unworthy of being placed in the golden circlet for the brow of king or queen. Its hazy appearance gives it a secondary value and so excludes it. It is a mixture; neither one thing nor another. The truth about the stone is also the truth about the soul; the first characteristic of the soul, if it be all God wishes it to be, is that it is pure in substance and this purity of substance this power of transmitting God's

A MEMORIAL POEM.

Written by Mrs. A. E. Herrick, and Read at the Memorial Exercises Monday Evening.

The spring is with us, the brooks, which slept In icy slumbers by cold arms kept, Have burst their thralldom, and gleam and glide, Through forest and meadow, far and wide. The birds a-nesting, brood and sing, O'er new built homes, like human thing, Or in mad ecstasy they fly. On rapturous wing through sunlit sky. The brooks and the birds have sung to the flowers, They've opened their eyes in the morning hours, They nod, and flourish, and blush, and smile, And whisper sweet secrets, that will may beguile The sordid hearts into fair day dreams, All rosy and bright, 'neath the golden gleams That the sunbeams cast, as they come and go Through the appetite boughs in their pink and snow.

Upon this symphony of love and life, Upon this song that rapturous nature sings, Who dare intrude the jarring notes of strife? Albeit the plaintive tones no discord brings. Why touch 'em lightly the responsive strings? Which, awakened, sound the low, sad undertone, Throbbing too often at the heart of things, In weary rhythm of never ceasing moan? What need to wake, amid these halcyon days, The bitter memories of pain and death? Why chill the gladness of the Mays With blighting touch of sorrows icy breath? And walking in these quiet country ways, Or resting free on flower besprinkled sod, Why stretches e'er before our haunted gaze The blood stained paths that weary feet have trod? Ah, vain these questionings, vain and weak, No wrong upon the sweet spring time we do When scattered graves of persons, we seek, And led by loyal band in garb of blue, Whose broken ranks each year are thinner seen, Our children go, clasping in tiny hands, The sweet bouquets, the wreaths, and garland green With which to deck each mound whereon there stands A little flag, beneath which, quiet lies The dust of those who toiled, and fought, and died, And gave their all in willing sacrifice, To follow where the glorious colors led. We sing not death amid the bud and bloom, Nor hopeless grief bearing unhalloved pain, Enshrouded close in melancholy gloom; But glorious life, uplift above earth stain, By consecration of some deathless deed; Heroic youth, high thoughts, and daring bold, As gallant as e'er that of which we read In chivalry's tales of peerless knights of old; Exalted hopes on which brave spirits rise, And noble strength that careless dalliance scorns; The sacred sorrow, that with radiant eyes Smiles through its tears beneath its crown of thorns. Ah, this it is that doth within us move To reverent thought, to this we homage pay. This universal instinct which doth prove That grope and grovel blindly as we may, Our human souls have yet the power to rise, And borne on wings of some great impulse's flame, Mount to the skies celestial, whence they came, And for a space breathe the ethereal air Of loves heroic and sublime and true, And though they may not keep the levels fair, The visions of the blessed heights forsake them never.

And this we would commemorate, Not triumph or defeat, fate Of battles, nor victorious pride; But that power, that denied When the call to arms rang clear, Man should hold aught else so dear As a patriot's honor. Strong, It sprang forth at cry of wrong, Tortured slaves appealing moans, On the traitors' threatening tones, Years have passed with bloom and snow, Still our eyes grow dim and glow, Tales are by each fireside told, Valiant deeds and prowess bold, Noble song, weak halting verse, Still would o'er and o'er rehearse. How men uprose when Sumter fell, To take up arms and bear their well In unskilled hands, used but to toil On these strong hill-sides, but the soil And northern winds that o'er them blew, Had reared a sturdy race that knew No fear and no reproach, the phrase Suits well our common country ways, And Bayard's self no fitter bore The courtly phrase, than those who wore On southern fields the coats of blue.

That faithful spring, when all men knew The war cloud, that so long had spread In sullen menace overhead, Had burst, and that our fate was sealed. The farmer left his blooming field, The scholar, his lowly pen, Far larger truths to win, than when He'd sought for them in dusty tomes; And men went forth from peaceful homes. Some with set faces, leaving wife And little children, and the life In homely toils and pleasures sweet; While others marched with eager feet, With bearing gay and debonnaire, Expectant manner, and the air Of one who dares and dares to lose. Than her embrace sought more would choose. And words come oftener to the ear, Enlist, enlist, and volunteer!! Ah! some there were on whom they fell, As sound of dirge or funeral knell. The patient women, who must stay When those they loved had marched away Into the struggle and the strife; The mother, sister, sweetheart, wife, Who gave their dearest and their best At country's call, bore supreme test Of loyalty. Ah! if war made Our plain men heroes unafraid It transformed to haloed saint Each loving woman, who, no pliant On quivering lips, saw men away. The one she loved, while she must stay. Yet felt she not the bitterest woe That womanhood can ever know, To shrink despairing neath the blow Which lays her trust and faith low In shame o'er cowardice or deed Unworthy of a soldier's creed. The Spartan farewell which appealed To sons sent forth, "Come with your shields Or on it, home!" sounds no more strong Ringing through all the centuries long Than good byes that our mothers gave, Whose sons went forth, high-hearted, brave, As strong to suffer, do and dare, On inspiration of half whispered prayer, And tender kiss, and words breathed low, How hope and trust would with them go, And love, that waited, watched and prayed In loyal home behind the stay. The Greeks before Thermopylae, Who knew their eyes could never see The glory of the evening sky, Who were their deathless death to die, Combed their long hair, and in array As for a feast, for the day Which men for ages long should sing. Our countrymen did finer thing, Before tempestuous rage and strife

Of some fierce battle, in which life Should be held naught, and victory all, And no man knew which one should fall, And which should stand, with yearning thought Of home and dear ones, each man sought Some trusted comrade, to his care A letter gave, a lock of hair, A picture mayhap, or a ring. Whatever it was, some precious thing That might of sweet remembrance tell To whom it went in fond farewell. And then perhaps he wrote his name,— Humble, obscure, unknown to fame,— On slip of paper, which planned fast To the blue coat, might at the last, Him from the dead oblivion save That rests o'er unknown soldier's grave. Unfaded are such hands as mine To deathless boys and laurels twine With which to crown immortal deed. Nor lacks a patriot soul its meed, For in these days when leaders tell Of campaigns where they fought so well, No faithful soldier is forgot. And more and more we see, that not To whom death came on battle-field In glorious form, we praise should yield, Such praise as is to heroes due. More than to those who suffered through The winter bivouac and the strain Of summer march, when parching brain Saw visions of the cooling breeze That swept through spreading maple trees On far off hills, and to his thirst Came thoughts of crystal streams that burst From their green sides. Never dream Of Paradise could fainter seem To soul in penitential flame To whom in mockery it came Patient they toiled, hardships endured, As valiant soldiers unto pain inured; And when at end of tortuous days Death came, no splendid martial blaze Illumed the darkness 'fore their eyes. She sought them in the humbler guise Of one who brings the boon of peace And grants a merciful release.

And when more fitting that we tribute bring To this which has so much enriched our race Than when the blossoming impulse of the spring Breathes of new awakened life and strength and grace, When once again before our doubting eyes The resurrection miracle is wrought, And when each mortal heart exultant rises To grasp anew the blessed lesson taught; That naught of beauty, naught that is sublime, Born of high purpose, in these lives of ours, Shall e'er be lost in onward rush of time. As all this radiance of leaves and flowers That smiles in rapture after days of rain, Unfolds from heart of beauty that made glad Yet other springtimes, bloomed and glowed and died again To wake, and breathe upon a world that sad 'Neath mighty griefs or vexed with trifling cares, Of all its gracious ministry has need; Even so our poor humanity yet bears The inspiration of heroic deed, The heritage that on us rests From all those bravely beating breasts That silenced were long years ago.

Whenever to-day a brave deed's done In the conflict 'tween wrong and right, Whenever for truth a fair field's won By valor of some unreluctant knight; The spirit of heroes lives anew In the might of each noble deed and word, And their glorious voices ringing true, Are still in immortal challenge heard. And whose brings a mighty heart Unto his work, whatever it be, And acts courageously his part, Nor standeth ever listlessly, It matters little, whether he fall, When the gallant charge is but begun, Or stands in triumph upon the wall. When the battle's fought and the victory won; He trod the path that heroes trod, So be that his work is bravely done, Neath the gleam of their eyes and the smile of God He'll win the heights that they have won.

WOMEN'S CHIT-CHAT.

"From Grave to Gay, From Lively to Severe"

MAY 30th.
"The muffled drum's ad roll has beat The soldier's last tattoo; No more on life's parade shall meet That brave and fallen few. On Fame's eternal camping-ground Their silent tents are spread, And glory guards with stent round, The bivouac of the dead."

JUNE 3rd.
"Be good, sweet maid, and let who will be clever; Do noble things not dream them all day long; And so make life, death, and the vast forever One grand, sweet song."

There have always been cases of "Mysterious Disappearance" from this earth! Not only from the ranks of defaulting bank officers, but as far back as when the Mastodon and Dodo bade their large farewell; every now and then certain strongly marked types have completely vanished. Perhaps none have been so little missed as one the Observer would call to mind, which is quite unknown to the present generation, and which, but for her, might pass into oblivion wholly unclassified—as well as unmentioned! There was a period in the development of the race when this type was spoken of with awe, and when it received such a blind, adoring idol-worship that, coupled with the recently introduced Cranford ladies were not unfair representative types—What was evidently the chief aim of woman years ago? Was it not matrimony as a state, rather than marriage as a glorious choice among choices? If they failed in reaching this mark how surely they settled into the vacancy of resourceless lives, where their "accomplishments" never lifted them above ever-increasing mediocrity. If they reached the goal, how these same alluring charms vanished forever before the mighty power of Johnny's first tooth! At any rate the world is better off for the non-survival of the sentimental creature with flowing sleeves, a nature progress; and as the age of wreath of roses in her hair,

the fair Moloch was usually about eighteen years, there was a dreary vista for those brought under her influence.

But she has gone—and with her went music after the classical standards of the "Battle of Prague" and "Maiden's Prayer," pencil drawings of awe-inspiring subjects, and remarkable perspectives, "crescent-work," poetical albums, lily hands, long ringlets, eighteen-inch waists, thin shoes, and consumption! To-day we have a girl of eighteen as different from the "accomplished" being as is a glorious rose, fed by sunshine and bathed in morning dews, in comparison to a stalk of colery under cellar glass.

There disappeared at the same time a standard that can only be spoken of in the same way that we use an obsolete word—as a curiosity. In illustration, one of this now rare species, having survived her environment into an elderly period of commonplaceness, looked over her glasses at a young wife who was having an absorbing contest with a difficult passage in one of Beethoven's Sonatas, saying in a tone of mild but deprecating wonder: "My dear, why do you work so hard over your music? your market's made!"

Fancy looking upon music as a sort of pitcher-plant into which unwary masculine insects were lured, or as "a trap to catch a sunbeam!" And yet, to be strictly just with these defunct specimens—of which the recently introduced Cranford ladies were not unfair representative types—What was evidently the chief aim of woman years ago? Was it not matrimony as a state, rather than marriage as a glorious choice among choices? If they failed in reaching this mark how surely they settled into the vacancy of resourceless lives, where their "accomplishments" never lifted them above ever-increasing mediocrity. If they reached the goal, how these same alluring charms vanished forever before the mighty power of Johnny's first tooth! At any rate the world is better off for the non-survival of the sentimental creature with flowing sleeves, a nature progress; and as the age of wreath of roses in her hair,

who played the harp—"as an accomplishment!"

June should be called the month of girls as well as roses. All over our land, during its thirty days of buds and blossoms, young hearts are giving out their sweetness, and young lives are standing on the thresholds of new experiences. It is the month of graduations, of announced engagements, and of weddings!

The rustle of white muslin, and the manuscript of the "Essay" mingle indistinguishably, and we all grow misty-eyed at the pageant memory brings back which reveals the long white-robed procession to whom in the years ago we have given our tenderest interest and affection.

"To-day thousands of hearts are each holding some dear maiden in particular remembrance in connection with some date, for; "She graduates to-day!"

To tell the honest truth the word "graduate" always touches a cord of anxiety in the Observer's mind, as it has become a kind of key-note to the future symphony of the young life, and tells whether the harmony remains unfinished and discordant, or whether the life-theme is fully rounded out into completion.

Graduation day is either the grave of a girl's mental life, or the open door to a glorious temple which yearly "shuts us from heaven with a dome more vast" as one develops new powers from disciplined faculties.

If to "graduate" really means to "mark with degrees" then all hail to one sweet, girl graduate, whose tints of rose and pearl, lustrous eyes and floating curls, tears and smiles and winsome wiles which our hearts into tenderest moods through the passing days of every June; and as each little snow-white, flower-bedecked, love-enveloped craft loosens its sail for new ports, we, from our chosen harbors, cheerily cry "Bon Voyage."

Town Topics.

Miss Ethel Morse is teaching school in the Haggood district.

Mrs. Chas. Bartlett of Mount Abram hotel is visiting at Berlin, N. H.

O. N. Fernald of Danvers, Mass., is in town visiting his brother, Dr. G. W. Fernald.

Mrs. Horace Andrews is visiting her sister, Mrs. DeCosta at Rumford Falls.

The graduating exercises of Gould's Academy will occur Thursday evening in Odeon Hall.

The Literary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Abial Chandler to-morrow afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Hawley have been visiting at Mr. W. F. Kendall's. They returned to Mechanic Falls, Tuesday.

Gilbert W. Tuell in the bicycle contest is not Gilbert Tuell the carpenter, as many have supposed, but a son of Dr. F. B. Tuell.

We notice in the Bowdoin Orient that Fred Merrill carried off the honors of doing the best work in the 100 and 220 yard dash at the annual college field meet, held on the new athletic field, Saturday, May 15. Good for Fred.

The following from the Pittsfield, Mass., "Saturday Blade" will be of interest to many Bethel people who will most heartily concur in the compliment paid to the Doctor and will also share in the good wishes expressed.

"Many Pittsfield friends will regret to learn that Dr. W. A. Russell, the specialist in diseases of the eye, ear, nose, and throat, is in delicate health, and has been obliged to give up his office in Central block, where he has built up a fine practice by his skillful treatment of cases, and will start Tuesday for Denver, Col., where it is hoped that the change of air for a time will improve his health. He will be accompanied on the journey by his son, Master Charles, and will be absent during the summer. He will be the guest of his brother, Prof. Russell, M. A., of Denver University. Dr. Russell came to Pittsfield from Essex, Conn., some months since, and has made a large circle of warm friends by his gentlemanly ways, and his uniform courtesy to all. He will bear with him the fervent wishes of a host of friends for his speedy recovery to health. He and his family have lived very pleasantly on Tyler St.

Baccalaureate Sermon.

Commencement week of the class of '97, Gould's Academy, began Sunday, with the Baccalaureate sermon before the graduates and students, by Rev. Israel Jordan, at the Congregational church. The sermon appears in the News this week for the benefit of those who were so unfortunate as not to hear it. The church was filled to its utmost capacity with eager listeners. The evergreen and potted plants added not a little to the altar and the platform. The Bethel chorus rendered inspiring music, and B. C. Snyder, the leader sang a solo in his usual pleasing and effective manner.

The large audience, the lovely flowers, and the beautiful sunshine after the long rain, all combined to make it a day long to be remembered by the friends of the Academy.

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EDITORIAL COLUMN.

To-day is our second birthday, and the idea of being a two-year-old makes us feel "pretty big." We are not much talkers yet but hope during the coming years to make considerable improvement.

Owing to the extra work which naturally came this week, we are obliged to leave out many local and items from our correspondents. We hope our readers will excuse the omission.

The Soldier's Memorial.

We are glad to notice the interest manifested on the part of our citizens toward the erection of a memorial to the soldiers, who have gone out from Bethel to serve their country. As we said in a recent issue: Few towns of Bethel's size furnished more soldiers good and true, than did Bethel. Men were they, who, though the ties of love and affection which bound them to their dear ones were just as strong as the bonds which unite our homes to-day, were willing to sever them, if need be, forever, to save their country's honor.

The United States of America is recognized to-day as the leading nation in all the world; and to whom shall be ascribed the praise if not to her noble sons, who so willingly offered their assistance when the dark clouds of disunion hovered over our part of land and all claimed it is as their own? If then, through the heroic deeds of the American soldiers, we have first obtained our freedom, and secondly, our noble country has been redeemed from disgrace and saved from ruin, their names should be revered, and their noble deeds recalled by the American people as long as our government is maintained.

The boys who went out from Bethel acted a prominent part in performing this grand and noble work; the patriotism which first bade them go forth and endure the hardships of war, prompted them to stand boldly in the front ranks at the peril of their lives, when thousands of their comrades were wavering from their post of duty. Their lives were offered as a sacrifice and we are to-day reaping the reward. It then is a duty incumbent upon us as liberty loving citizens, to omit no opportunity of doing what we can, to perpetuate their noble deeds and honored names.

Long has it been since we were more gratified than at the meeting last Thursday evening, when we noted the enthusiasm on the part of the citizens as well as the soldiers, over the question of a soldier's memorial library, such as was pictured in the News last week by one of our esteemed Bethel ladies.

If a structure is to be reared in Bethel, it should be something which shall teach a great lesson. It will be but a few years before those whose presence with us is a constant reminder of the great sacrifice which they made for us, will be summoned to answer the roll call in that better land where the sound of musketry will never be heard.

Thirty-six years ago, in response to an appeal for volunteers to suppress the rebellion, a band of men from Bethel went forth, young men were they, full of life and vigor. To-day we behold some of them upon our streets; their locks are gray and their steps are slow; thirty-six years more and it will be a rare occasion to meet one of the heroes of '61 and '65, while in 50 years an entirely new generation will have taken their places. It will indeed be gratifying to those who are spared to-day to live to see a structure erected, which shall imbue the minds of the generation which are to follow with the principles of patriotism which they have so nobly instilled into us.

The only way to secure satisfactory results in the teaching of children at the present time is by the means of objects. If we wish to form a lasting impression upon a person's mind concerning any object or scene, we must present such object or scene, its likeness, or something in close connection therewith. Citizens of Bethel: What shall we do to cause those who occupy our places one hundred years from to-day to honor those whom we honor to-day? How shall we remind the generations which are to follow, of the enormous price paid by the "boys in blue" to purchase American freedom? We will give them an object lesson. We will build a memorial building dedicated to the soldier boys of Bethel. We will take due care that it shall have attractions which shall often call people within its walls, and having succeeded in getting them there, we will have provided therein objects which themselves will teach the lessons which we desire to have taught. Upon the walls let there be placed marble tablets, each to bear the name of some Bethel soldier, the date of his enlistment, the date of his discharge, or if he was killed, the date and name of the battle in which he fell, and some of the principal battles in which he was engaged, and any other points of interest in connection with his army life. Besides these, let there be pictures of some of the principal battles in which Bethel soldiers were engaged; nor is this all; those

who enter will see numerous weapons of warfare, and upon examination of the names attached, many will be pleased to find the very weapons which were wielded by their grandfathers. There will be various other interesting things to be found in this beautiful structure which we will not stop to mention.

How many entered Odeon Hall Monday night, beheld the decorations, and did not have an impression made upon their minds such perhaps, as was never made before? No one could enter that hall and not learn something of the lesson which those decorations were meant to teach. And we believe that a Memorial building erected here in Bethel, open to the public, and containing something after the line above mentioned, will do more towards perpetuating the names of our soldiers and teaching the grand lessons of patriotism, than any thing which we can possibly conceive.

Can we have it? We must have it. It is a duty from which the patriotic citizens of Bethel will never falter; and when we shall have planted upon Bethel soil, which is dear to so many free born citizens to-day, this noble structure, we shall have paid a most fitting tribute to the memory of those immortal heroes; and we shall have performed a most noble act, and one of which we may well feel proud, and in years to come, those who assist in this good work may look back upon today with a consciousness of duty done, and experience the manifestation of patriotism in the hearts of the citizens of Bethel as their own glorious reward.

Another Railroad Scheme.

This seems to be a time of electric railroad excitement in Oxford County. No less than three have recently been projected, all leading to Rumford Falls, but the one which seems the most feasible and the one which should interest the Bethel people most is the one projected by the Lewiston Journal in its weekly issue of May 27th, wherein appeared the following:

If the roads which have been projected are built, a person could traverse pretty much all of Oxford County on the trolley, and the farm which didn't hear the clang of the warning gong would be indeed isolated. The mania for electric road broke out here about three weeks ago, when certain local parties became interested in a plan to build a road from Rumford Falls to Bryant's Pond, connecting with the Grand Trunk and touching at Rumford Point and at Rumford Center on route.

This was kept very quiet and just as it was ready to be made public, what should the promoters see but an announcement of the formation of a company to build from South Paris, through Sumner, Mexico and into Rumford Falls. They saw at once that the building of this road would kill their project, so they laid it on the shelf, pulled out their maps and sought a new route. They have now revolved a scheme to build from Rumford Falls, through Rumford Point, Rumford Center to Hanover, branching there to Andover, the main line running down to Bethel and meeting the Grand Trunk there. This plan, they say, checks the South Paris move and is a more feasible route. The Bethel promoters will organize under the general laws and hope to commence work at once.

Doubtless many will say that this is only an air ship, to float for a few days, become stranded, taken in for repairs, and seen no more. If it receives this sort of encouragement it will more than likely reach the above destination, but if hailed in the spirit which should be aroused by such a project there may be some prospect of its materializing.

One thing is quite certain, and that is, the near future is to see Rumford Falls and the adjacent towns connected with the Grand Trunk by an electric road, beginning at some point along the Grand Trunk line; then why not make Bethel the terminus?

Let us give this matter more than a passing notice, for it means much to the future of Bethel, whether the chain of towns which will be intersected by the road which will be built sooner or later, be connected with Bethel, or any of the towns farther down the line. There are many reasons why Bethel should be the terminus, and with the proper influence brought to bear upon the promoters, such can be obtained. Are you interested? Let us hear from you.

Pale and Thin

Could Not Help Himself for Three Months—Impure Blood Causes Great Suffering—How Relief Came—Better than Ever Before.

"I have been in poor health owing to impure blood, weak stomach, biliousness and sick headaches, ever since I was a child eight years old. I have suffered everything for the past 14 years. I got so low that I could not help myself for three months, and was pale and thin. My neighbors did not expect me to live through the winter. I asked my doctor if I could take Hood's Sarsaparilla, and he said that I could take as much of it as I liked. I very soon found it helped me very much. I continued its use until I had taken six bottles, and at that time I looked better than I ever did since I can remember. I shall never be without Hood's Sarsaparilla as long as I can get it. It helped me more than any other medicine that I have ever taken. I advise anyone who is in poor health to try this great blood purifier, Hood's Sarsaparilla. I love my life to this medicine." ELIZA A. RUMFORD, Box 1178, Claremont, N. H. All druggists. 25¢ per bottle. Get only Hood's.

BACCALAUREATE SERMON.

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glory, as the flawless jewel transmits light, comes from the presence of an abundant vitality. You have no doubt noticed how the waters of a hillside spring become foul with impurities when anything disturbs its little basin, and how in the midst of the be-fouled waters a stream of crystal clearness comes boiling out of the ground. This natural phenomenon Christ took as the symbol of the everlasting life. It represents an energy so constant and so exhaustless that it preserves century after century its purity of heart. So it must be with the spiritual jewel. Its life must be fed from unseen sources of the power of God. It must be able to say with the great Hebrew poet: "All my springs are in thee." One who can say this, need not fear the evil of the world. His spiritual vitality will enable him to escape the contagion of evil. As strong physical vitality is the surest immunity from disease, so strong energy of heart is the surest way of preserving the spiritual transparency which allows "the life of Jesus to be manifested in our mortal flesh." In order therefore to become a shining crown jewel the soul must draw its life from God, for God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all. The life that is hid with Christ in God—in a word, the Christian life—is the first characteristic of the gem-like personality. A gem must shine or it is no gem, and the same is true of the Christian. He must so shine as a crown jewel before the world that men may see his good works and glorify the King in whose crown he shines, and through whose divinely bestowed grace he is enabled to shine.

We are told in scripture that Christ is the effulgence of God's glory; He is the gem-like power of transmitting light. He is also the very image of God's substance. He possesses what the lapidary would tell us is the second characteristic of the gem-perfection of form. It is only through perfection of form that the gem can express its inward beauty. So also it is with the soul. It must be willing to submit to severe discipline in order to arrive at perfection. Christ himself was made perfect through suffering. We are in this world for an educative purpose. Graduation from one grade only means commencement in the next higher grade. The end and aim of education is to enable one to be his best self. The spirit of Christ must be within one, not only as the hope of greater glory, greater brilliancy, but as the beginning of glory here and now. There must be a willingness to improve the best possible formative influences; a willingness to improve the best means for attaining perfection of form. Christlike symmetry of character is not the same as Christlike purity of heart. A diamond in the rough may be within itself a fountain of fire, but it is an imprisoned and hidden fire. Its ransomed powers, to borrow from a familiar hymn, are at present unransomed powers. The developing soul's inward light should increase with every passing year. The process of education should also go on endlessly. Ampler powers of self-expression should keep pace with richer stones that wait upon expression. It may seem from all that I have said that education is, after all, a very self-absorbing concern. That endeavor for purity of substance and perfection of form is an end in itself. A little thought will show us that these things are only inevitable means to the divinest ends.

The Jewish nation possessed a high genius for symbolism. So unerring, so supremely true does this power, as revealed in the Old Testament, seem to be, that it is one of the most convincing proofs of that direct inspiration from God to which the ancient Hebrew prophets laid claim. They did indeed possess the oracles of the living God. Upon his breast-plate the High Priest wore twelve precious stones called Urim and Thummim. These two Hebrew words signify light and truth. The twelve stones represented the twelve tribes of God's chosen people. To them these stones sparkling upon the breast of Aaron were an ostentatious and barbaric display of wealth such as is frequently seen in the great centers of modern civilization. They did not set the worshipping assembly thinking of their value in shekels. They were to them God's Urim and Thummim—God's light and truth. They sparkingly reminded every man, woman and child sufficiently old to understand their meaning, that their own souls were to be the real gems upon the breast of the Father Almighty. They were to be themselves God's Urim and Thummim. They were to live, in order to express in this world of selfishness, the light or love of God, and also in this world of lying diplomacy, cruel priestcraft, false weights and forged friendships, the truth or righteousness of an infinitely holy God. Oh! these poor benighted 'Israelites of the long ago—how much patronizing pity has the modern world wasted upon them. For real insight into the meaning of God's world, the average scientist of this century in comparison with the ancient Hebrew, is only a Peter Bell in

comparison with Shakespeare. Gems to-day remind men and women of little that is worth being reminded of, and of much that they would blush to speak aloud. They reminded God's people in the long ago of the high place in the economy of heaven which every true man and every true woman should fill, and by the grace of God may fill. They reminded them that God's light should shine through God's gentleman and God's gentlewoman in loving-kindness, and that God's truth should shine through them in righteous conduct. All this God has in mind when he says of his children, "They shall be as the stones of a crown." God's crown is no glassy, brassy affair. The gems are real gems and the gold real gold. It is the pagan culture of the present that tries to satisfy itself with glass gems and brazen crowns.

There are men and women in society to-day who ought to be God's Urim and Thummim for the communities in which they live. Their souls should be gemlike fountains of light and loveliness to their benighted brother-men, bright manifestation of the heart and mind of God, but, alas, they are lacking in this divine light. They are too self-occupied for public-spiritedness, too self-centered for patriotism, too dead in trespasses and sins for any real missionary interest in the progress of Christ's kingdom. They present the most sorry spectacle on God's footstool. They attempt to substitute outward polish for inward light; in fact they seem unconscious that the light that is in them is darkness. Because they have enjoyed superior advantages, because they hold diplomas, it may be, from Yale or Harvard, from Smith or Vassar, they believe themselves superior to those who lack these advantages. This by no means follows. In the day when God makes up his jewels he will not ask who holds a college diploma; He will discern the difference between the precious stones that have had small chance of winning perfection of form from their meager opportunities in life's school, and the nutmeg gems of pagan culture that think to make up in outward polish what they lack in inward preciousness. A mammon-worshipping public may admire men and women for the gems they wear. Sensible men and women do not care for the admiration of such a public. They prefer the love of God. He loves men and women not for the gems they wear, but for the gems they are or are to be. They are capable of revealing his love and righteousness to the world, and this is what the world most needs. It is a small thing to me whether men reach the North Pole or not. It is a great thing to me to have in my neighborhood and in my circle of friends, young gentlemen and young ladies whose gemlike characters help to make me comfortably sure that a loving and righteous Sovereign of souls rules this universe. It is a comparatively small thing to me that this or that person is able to perform wonderful gymnastic feats of special culture, to fathom Browning, or paint in water colors, or play the piano. It is a great thing to me if any brother or sister through kindness and sincerity helps me to see the Urim and Thummim of the Everlasting Father, the light and truth that makes this earth a sacred place, the love and righteousness that fill my heart with the victorious faith that overcomes the world. In this world the great Teacher would have us as his disciples in order that we may become his apostles. He would have us pupils in order that we may become teachers. So long as we are in the world we cannot avoid being teachers. Let us resolve to be ideal teachers. It is of them that we read in Holy Writ: "The teachers shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars—forever and ever." If we are indeed among God's jewels, we shall be among these ever-shining star like teachers. Our very existence will be one of the educative powers in the world.

As a parting word to you, who are just closing a beautiful chapter in the experience of life, to enter upon a new chapter which, I trust, will be still more beautiful, let me say that I congratulate you upon the completion of your course. I congratulate you upon the Christian teachers you have had. I congratulate you upon the fact that God wishes you to be as the stones in a crown, not stones that shine as the dewdrops and then fade, but stones bright with immortality and therefore worthy of a place in the diadem of Him to whom a thousand years are as a day. I congratulate you upon the opportunities that will come to you of manifesting the light of love and the truth of righteousness. A high authority upon American gems has paid a glowing tribute to our Pine Tree State for her wealth of precious stones. No other state in the Union can compare with this in this respect. To this I may add that no other county in Maine can compare with Oxford County. Although the mountains and hills of our country keep the most of these gems safely stored away in their own unpickable pockets instead of handing them over to be put in our own, yet they do put enough of them on exhibition to

show us the great fitness of the comparison which God makes between us and them. Let us make it our aim in life to so live that when these material gems have ceased to shine, Oxford County may still keep its reputation for precious stones. We are, whether we will or not, teachers by example. Let us make it a noble example. Let us give our own souls into God's hands. By so doing we shall become through his grace, royal jewels in his imperishable crown.

Bicycle Riders and Drivers of Teams.

[Published by request.] A few words in regard to the rights of each. A bicycle is a wheel carriage under the law, and the rider of it should be respected in his or her rights. When meetings teams, you should always pass on the right side, and if the person you meet does not respect your right, stop and let him drive on you if he dare. But you should always use due care in all your riding, if you do not and any accidents happen you will be liable for your carelessness. When passing over street crossings and meeting people on foot you should ring your bell, especially after dark. Drivers of teams should respect bicycle and riders the same as any other carriage, and when you fail to do so you are liable. When you hitch your teams in front of any place of business, be sure that your carriage stands in line of the street.

Below find a part of Village Corporation laws.

ARTICLE III.
Sec. 1. There shall be one or more Police Officers appointed annually by the Assessors, and said Assessors shall have power to appoint Special Police Officers when the public good shall require it.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of all Police Officers to do all in their power to preserve the peace, and to prevent all disorderly and unlawful conduct and practices within the limits of said Corporation, and they shall execute the By-Laws of the Corporation in all cases where the power is not delegated to others. They may receive complaint of the breach of any By-Law and prosecute the offender therefor.

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ARTICLE IV.

Sec. 4. No person shall ride through any street at a swifter pace than at the rate of eight miles an hour.

Sec. 5. No person shall ride, drive or lead any horse or other animal, upon or over any sidewalk within the limits of said Corporation.

Sec. 6. No person shall ride a bicycle upon any sidewalk within the limits of the Village Corporation.

Sec. 7. Any person offending against any of the foregoing provisions shall be liable to a fine not exceeding five dollars.

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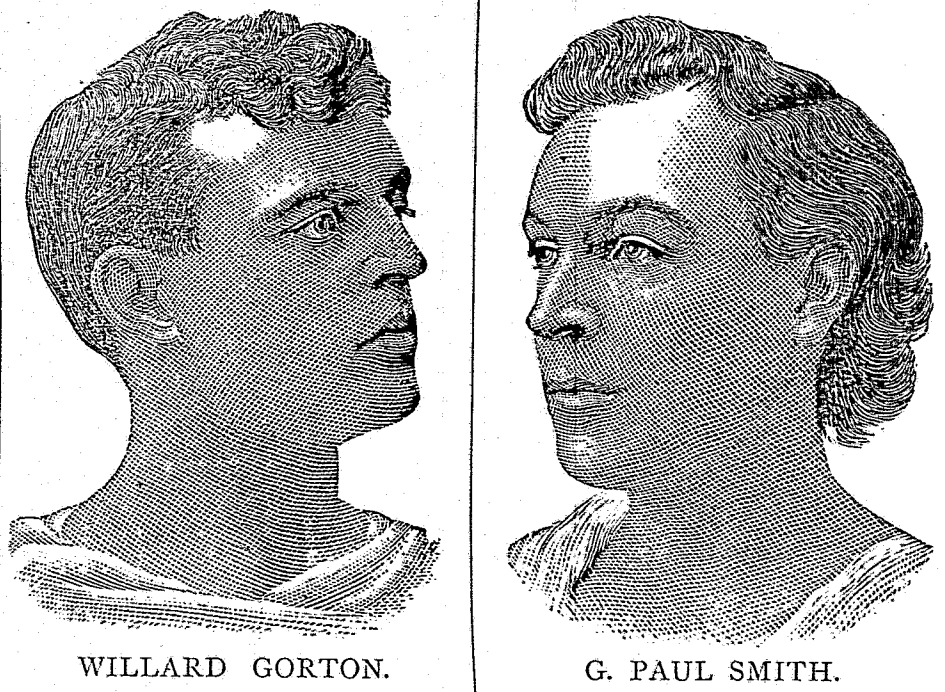
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NOTICE.
The subscriber hereby gives notice that he has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of **THOMAS H. MAXWELL**, late of Bethel, in the County of Oxford, deceased, and given bonds as the law directs. All persons having demands against the estate of said deceased are desired to present the same for settlement, and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately.
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BETHEL LOCALS.
Ira C. Jordan is building a new stable on Mechanic St.
Mr. Wm. H. Goddard of Auburn was in town last Thursday.
Will Jordan of South Waterford was in town Saturday evening.
The many friends of Judge Frye will regret to learn of his illness.
Mrs. Grace Skillings returned to her home in Harvard, Mass. last week.
Pipes were laid yesterday to furnish city water to H. H. Bean on Main St.
Mrs. Susan Clough is so much improved in health that she was able to go out of doors last Monday.
Robert Foster, Herbert Rowe, Frank Leach, and Edwin Barker attended the L. A. W. in Lewiston Monday.
D. C. Philbrook has had his cows all tested by the state veterinary surgeon. He pronounces them entirely free from tuberculosis.
The members of the News corps who worked last Tuesday evening extend thanks to Miss E. E. Burnham for the delicious lunch served in honor of her birthday.
The first snake story our reporter has heard this season was told by H. B. Holt of East Bethel, who said his little dog caught a snake last week that measured four feet.
To all subscribers of the School Record, I would say the April and May Nos. are ready to be distributed. Please call at my home for them.
O. M. Mason.
E. I. Brown of the Rumford Falls Paper Company passed here with a drive of logs last week; the drivers have had a good run this season and are in earlier than usual.
We did not intend to infer last week that there was no central telephone office here but that all are on one line any party can be called without calling up the central.
Miss Villa Holt's friends will be glad to learn that she is able to return to Bethel after her long and tedious illness in the New England Hospital, Boston. We trust our pure, mountain air will prove beneficial and hasten her permanent recovery.
Quite a number of our people drove to Bryant's Pond Sunday afternoon, to hear Rev. Mr. Barton's Memorial sermon before Whitman Post. The Universalist church was filled, and extra seats were brought in to accommodate the people.
The entertainments given by G. Paul Smith and Willard Gorton are so diversified and so elaborately conducted that they produce the impression of a large company. The many changes are so bewildering it is not surprising to hear some people solemnly declare that they are sure they have seen at least a dozen different people on the stage during the evening.
We are watching with much interest the contest for the appointment of Naval Officer at Boston in which Gen. A. S. Twitchell of Goshen, N. H., who is so well known here, is a prominent candidate. This office, though located in Boston, has for a long time been given to a New Hampshire man, and eight years ago Gen. Twitchell was there, as now, a candidate, and came very near being successful. He then had, and now has, the support of the veterans of New Hampshire and of New England so far as expressed, and in addition to this strong influence, he has the strong support of the very best influences in the republican party. There is so general a desire for his appointment now among the people, feeling that it belongs to him as a veteran, and a life-long and earnest republican, and the northern portion of New Hampshire being especially so in earnest for him, claiming it on the ground of location, it is very certain that, unless great injustice is done, he will receive the appointment. Everyone here feels an interest and will be glad to hear of his appointment.

Constipation.
A Disease that is Numbering its Victims by Hundreds of Thousands.
Constipation is a disease that stops the machinery of the body. It puts every organ out of condition. Disease spreads into the entire system, all because there is a little obstruction in the bowels. People say their heads trouble them. They have no energy. They can't sleep. They are nervous. Appetite is poor. Down at the bottom of all is constipation, which is one of the things that Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy always cures. Here is proof:
Mrs. Julia A. Yeaple, of Kingston, N. Y., says: "If it were not for Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy I think I should die from constipation. It gives me an appetite, produces refreshing sleep, and cured me of an nervous affection I had for years. I could not live without it."
All druggists sell it for \$1 a bottle.

Memorial Services.
Memorial Day was duly observed by our people as usual. At two o'clock the procession consisting of Brown Post, the Woman's Relief Corps and the Sons of Veterans was formed in front of Relief Corps Hall and marched to the music of life and drum to the new cemetery. The services there consisted of prayer by Rev. Mr. Hamilton; music by Mrs. Gehring, Mrs. Tuell and Miss Edith Grover; and brief remarks from Rev. Mr. Hamilton, Marshall Tru, and comrades Hutchinson, Foster, and Chapman. The remarks were well selected and much appreciated by those present. The evening exercises held in Odeon Hall at 7.30 by music rendered by the Bethel chorus, followed by prayer by Rev. Israel Jordan, after which short speeches were made by E. C. Park, Chairman, E. M. Simpson Esq., and Rev. F. E. Barton. The remarks were very effective and commanded the most profound attention of the crowded house. Not least upon the programme was an original poem most charmingly given by Mrs. A. E. Herriock. One of the noticeable features of the exercises was that they were conducted by young men whose memories cannot recall an incident of the scenes which made it necessary to participate in these memorial exercises. Upon entering the hall the audience were brought face to face with the national colors impressively arranged, covering the entire surface of the walls above and around the rostrum forming in the background a shield guarded on either side by old battle flags, and across which appeared the words "They died for you and me." Upon leaving the hall there were seen muskets with their bayonets crossed arranged above the door between which appeared, "Only a memory now." The decorations were very impressive and could but form upon the minds of the people impressions such as nothing else could do.
Music was furnished by the Bethel Chorus, who as usual did credit both to themselves and director.
Card.
When your laundry bill at the Berlin Steam Laundry amounts to \$5.00 by paying \$3.75, you may receive one lady's, gent's or child's mackintosh, guaranteed waterproof, furnished in the latest and most modern style and worth \$10.00 at any store in the County.
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We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.
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For sale by all druggists at 50c. and 75c.

Strayed.
Strayed from the inclosure of G. L. Blake at South Bethel, about May 15, 1897, one Holstein year old heifer. Any information in regard to her will be appreciated.
Dr. D. R. Rothrock, of New Berlin, Pa., does not hesitate to recommend Chamberlain's medicine. He says: "I have handled them for a year or more in my pharmacy and find them safe and reliable. My customers praise them very highly." No one who is troubled with rheumatism can use Chamberlain's Pain Balm without praising it. The quick relief from pain which it affords is alone worth many times its cost. For sale by G. B. Wiley, Bethel, and G. O. Jones, Bryant Pond.

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WEST BETHEL.
"Apple trees are all a-bloom, Blossoms sweet perfume the air, Earth has lost all trace of gloom, Nature's face is wondrous fair." Be honest and cheerful.
Street sprinklers are having a rest.
Golden buttercups have made their appearance.
The fruit prospect is quite promising just now.
Good weather for ducks, geese and polliwogs.
People are done talking about a drought for a few days.
Dandelion greens are said to be good for liver complaint.
Everybody is delighted to see fair weather once more.
It is really comforting to know that "rain cannot always fall."
We should always be dumb to the inquisitive and deaf to the quarrelsome.
Happiness consists in being contented with what you have and whatever God may send you.
"Haste makes waste" applies to premature seed planting. It is better to wait until the ground is just right, as it is this week on sandy soil.
Mrs. Hattie A. Grover has been confined to the house by sickness for a number of weeks, and Mrs. L. F. Grover of Berlin, N. H., has been with her for a month.
Milton Holt came home from the Maine General Hospital Thursday, and speaks highly of his treatment there. His store has been closed for three weeks, but he will this week be found behind the counter ready to wait on his old customers.
Many rumors are afloat concerning new railroads in Oxford County. Give us a railroad from Waterford to Andover, crossing the Grand Trunk in Bethel, and "we will all take a ride." Following the valley of Crooked river through Albany to West Bethel, and down the Androscoggin valley through Mayville and Hanover, with a branch to Rumford Falls would open a territory where a road is much needed.
LOCKE'S MILLS.
Our village is being improved by a sidewalk between W. B. Rand's store, and George Woodsum's barber shop.
The Ladies' Union Circle met at the church Wednesday afternoon, May 26 for reorganization. Mrs. Ida Crooker presiding. Mrs. Annie Emery secretary pro tem. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Ida Crooker, Pres.; Mrs. Flora Farnham, Vice Pres.; Mrs. Abbie Coffin, Treas.; Mrs. Clara Brown, Sec. Voted to use the money obtained by the circle for religious services and repairs on the church as needed. A special meeting will be called whenever there are matters of importance to decide, and the secretary's report shall be read at each meeting. Circle at the Mount Abram Hall Wednesday evening, June 8.

NOTICE.
The following is the standing of the contestants this week.
J. S. Hutchins, 5840
Geo. French, 5771
Gilbert Tuell, 5635
Miss Vera Holt, 4716
Durward Mason, 317
A. Chandler Godwin, 500
William Holmes, 171
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As the season for wheels draws near, many are doubtless wondering how they are to secure one, and fortunately the Bethel News appears at this time with a plan whereby it can be secured free of cost.
A WORD TO THE CONTESTANTS.
Begin at once, for if you wait to see what others are doing, someone will get such a start of you that it will be difficult to get even with them. It is easier to start ahead and keep ahead, than it is to catch up after one gets behind. So begin by cutting out some votes and sending in, so that your friends may see that you are in the contest before they promise to help someone else; then make a thorough canvass of your community for subscriptions, job work and advertising; keep constantly at it, and at the end of two short months, you will own one of the best wheels ever owned in Oxford County.

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Mills Blown Up.

Greenville Junction, May 23rd,
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Tuesday morning. Four men were
killed and several injured. The
mill is a total wreck.

FURTHER PARTICULARS.
Bangor, Me., May 25th.—As the
steam mill at Caswell's, which is
about half a mile east of Lowell-
town, was starting one of the
boilers, it exploded, killing four
men, F. W. Gushee, engineer, of
Burlington, Vt., Ernest Nichols of
Island Pond, Vt., Fred Cheverier,
watchman, of Maxwell, Ont., whose
head was blown off, and a laborer
named King, of St. Cecile, Que.
The foreman, Steve Nichols, was
injured, probably fatally, and
several other mill hands were
slightly injured.

One of the boilers was blown
clear through the mill. The other
boiler was blown about 100 feet
into the mill yard. The mill is
badly wrecked.

It will be a great damage to the
owners, as the mill was doing fine
work this season, and had a stock
of four million logs in the pond and
about four million of seasoned
lumber was piled in the yard to be
dressed.

Ernest Nichols leaves a wife and
two small children, the others were
single men. The cause of the ex-
plosion is unknown.

The mill is insured, amount not
ascertained. The mill is the
property of the Lowelltown Lumber
company.

The killed are horribly mutilated.

Augusta in Mourning.

Augusta people were horrified
by a report which reached the city
late Sunday afternoon, to the effect
that three of the best known and
most respected young men in their
city, Edwin L. Nash, Jos. M. Wight,
and Lewis B. Moore, had been
drowned by the over-turning of their
boat on the Kennebec river, about
three and one half miles
above the dam.

The first intelligence of the ac-
cident was received about five o'clock
when a frenchman named Austin
Corot reported finding an over-
turned canoe.

He had seen three men in the
boat and towed it ashore, and after
making it fast and securing the
contents, went to the city and
reported.

The young men had started Sun-
day morning for a camp at Five-
mile island to spend the day, and
finding the boat at a point below, it
was hoped at first that the boat had
become unbalanced and drifted
down river; but all hope fled when
Capt. Nash, father of one of the
boys found an oar and his sons' cap
upon the shore near where the
boat was found.

The three young men were well
known and highly respected in
Augusta, and are mourned by the
entire city.

THE TOWNS AROUND.

Deferred Correspondence.

DENMARK.

Born May 22nd, to the wife of
Chas. Poor, a son.

Ernest Ingalls our road surveyor
made some needed repairs on the
village district last week.

The Mason Family had an enter-
tainment at Odd Fellows' Hall,
Monday night.

Dr. Curtis and attendant from
Boston are stopping at the Maple-
wood, and is putting in his time
fishing.

Walter Powers and wife of
Newry came last Sunday to visit
her mother who is very sick.

Mrs. Walter Berry and son Owen
left for Boston Tuesday, and her
husband will also go as soon as his
term on the stage route to Brown-
field is completed and he cuts the
hay on his farm. They have two
sons, there already, and they will
hire rent and the boys will all
board at home.

MASON.

O. G. Mason has a new wagon.
F. I. Bean went to Gilead, Satur-
day.

Fishermen are more numerous
than the fish.

George Frost of Norway was in
town Sunday.

Charles F. Brown has recently
graded his lot in the cemetery.

George Harden of West Bethel
has been working for C. F. Brown.

Rosie Wheeler is at home from
Bethel, where she has been at work.

John Stiles and Perley Flanders
of West Bethel were in town Thurs-
day.

Mrs. Ernest Turner and daughter
Mabel of Berlin, N. H., are
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GROVER HILL.

Bion F. Brown has purchased a
bicycle.

Mr. Moses Libby has been stop-
ping at P. Wheeler's.

Harry Lyons has hired out for
the season with N. Barker.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Peaslee went
to West Bethel last Saturday.

Fred Wheeler went to Mason
Saturday and returned Sunday.

True Brown is going to Water-
ford to work in a mill soon, we
understand.

Mrs. Frances Whitman was sick
last Saturday, and Dr. C. D. Hill
was called to see her.

A. J. Peaslee has planted a piece
of ensilage corn. He contemplates
building a silo this fall.

Mrs. A. V. Walker's Jersey cow
was found dead in the pasture last
Friday; the cause of her death is
unknown.

SUNDAY RIVER.

Leonard Leavitt has returned
from Magalloway.

H. M. Kendall has been helping
Leland Bartlett for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. John McDaniel are
working on C. B. Foster's farm.

Mrs. Ed. Braley and daughter
Clara are visiting at Orrington
York's.

Mrs. Eva Bacon of Pittsburg, N.
H., is spending a few weeks with
her mother, Mrs. Sarah Jackson.

The bears have killed four sheep
for Will Williamson; as usual
Bruin selected the best of the flock.

WEST PERU.

Mrs. Wm. Cox is very low at this
date.

Our station at West Peru has
been treated to a coat of paint in-
side and out, and presents a fine
appearance.

A little girl of S. W. Howard's
fell and broke her arm. It was
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Our schools began here the 17th
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